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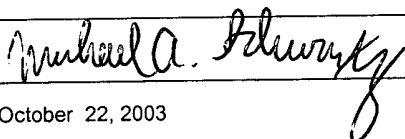
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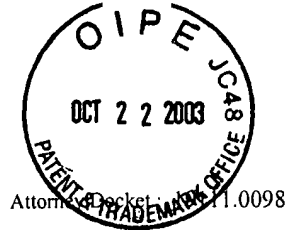
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In re Application of:

Ravi Kanth Kothuri

Application No. 10/621,455

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For: Within Distance Query Pruning in an R-tree Index

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☒ U.S. patent applications which the applicant considers to be related to the above-identified application are as follows: U.S. Patent applications 10/397,530 (title: Query Pruning Using Interior Circles for Geodetic Data in an R-Tree Index; filed March 27, 2003) owned by Oracle International Corporation and 09/886,487 (title: Query Pruning Using Interior Rectangles in an R-Tree Index; filed June 22, 2001) owned by Oracle Corporation.

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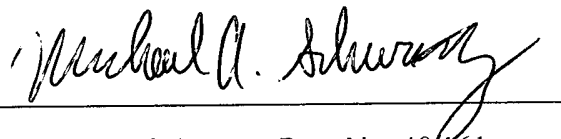
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Respectfully submitted,

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